Clarification of the content of the type approval certificate referred to in 1.8.7.2.2.1 of RID/ADR

Transmitted by the Government of France*, **, ***

Summary

Executive summary: This document aims to better define what shall be included in the type approval certificate as required in 1.8.7.2.2.1.

Action to be taken: Amend 1.8.7.2.2.1.

Introduction

1. RID/ADR 1.8.7.2.2.1 specifies what shall be included in a type approval certificate and requires that "a list of the relevant parts of the technical documentation be annexed to the certificate".

2. This last requirement poses difficulties of interpretation which were expressed by inspection bodies and were discussed during the meeting of the informal working group on the inspection and certification of tanks which was held on 15 December 2021.

3. The standards listed in Chapter 6.2 (such as standards on the construction of cylinders) or Chapter 6.8 (e.g. standard EN 12972:2018) define the relevant information or documents to be presented to identify types and variations.

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4. Therefore, rather than requiring a list of relevant documents without specifying which ones and without indicating the necessary details for the technical identification of the type, it is proposed that the certificate contain the necessary information or references of the documents concerned, or that annexes are attached to the certificate so that it is more self-supporting.

5. France therefore proposes to amend 1.8.7.2.2.1 as follows.

Proposal

6. Delete the last sentence of 1.8.7.2.2.1.

7. Amend 1.8.7.2.2.1 (f) to read as follows (new text is underlined):

“(f) The data contained in the documents for the type examination according to 1.8.7.8.1, necessary for the identification of the type and variation, as defined by the relevant standards. These data or the documents containing them are included, listed or annexed to the certificate;”.

Justification

8. This modification facilitates the application of these provisions as well as the use of the type approval certificate.